

Children's Corner



Angel of God,
my guardian dear,
to whom God's love commits
me here,
ever this day,
be at my side,
to light and guard,
to rule and guide **Amen**

Blessed Michael the Archangel
defend us in the hour of conflict
be our safeguard against the
wickedness and snares of the devil.
May God restrain him,
We humbly pray,
and do thou O prince of the Heav-
enly host by the power of God
thrust Satan down to hell
and with him all the other wicked
spirits
who wander through the world for
the ruin of souls **Amen**



BAPTISMS Saturday at 5pm Contact the Parish Office 71263152 between 10am-12 noon Mon-Fri

MARRIAGES At least 3 months notice must be given to the Parish. Contact Parish Office to arrange Pre-Marriage Preparation Course.

THE WEBCAM: To join us for the live streaming of all Masses via the webcam, log into www.creggan Chapel.com or www.churchservies.tv/creggan.
If you have any difficulty accessing the webcam, please contact the parish office on 028 7126 3152 or email stmaryscreggan@derrydiocese.org.

IF YOU HAVE CONCERNS REGARDING SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & ADULTS

in need of protection within the Church, please contact Marie Gormley, the Diocesan Designated Liaison Person (DLP) 07596500793 or at mariegormley@derrydiocese.org Additional Contact numbers - PSNI Tel 101 or Social Services Western SHC Trust Tel 02871314090 (ask for Duty Social Worker)

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Parish of St. Mary CREGGAN



SUNDAY MASS

Vigil (Saturday) 6.30 pm
10.30 am
12.15 pm

Polish Mass 4.00 pm (every 2nd & 4th Sunday)

HOLY DAY MASS

as announced

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Monday - Friday 5.00 pm - 5.30 pm
Saturday - 10.30 am
5.30 pm - 6.20 pm

WEEK DAY MASS

Monday-Saturday 10.00 am
Tuesday & Friday 7.30 pm

EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT (in the Divine Mercy Chapel)

Sunday 1.30 pm - 6 pm
Monday 10.30 am - 7 pm
Tue - Sat 10.30 am - 12 pm

Fr. Daniel McFaul PP

Fr. Ignacy Saniuta CC

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 10 am - 1 pm

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10th November 2024

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Today's readings inspire us to give of ourselves at a deeper level. St. Francis de Sales gives us simple ways to give of ourselves by setting priorities of what is important in life: The love of God is gentle, peaceful and calm. To be effective, our love must flow from this divine love. To love as Jesus loved we must have a generous heart that reaches out to those who are poor, materially and spiritually. Love the poor. Be glad to see them in your home and

to visit with them in theirs. Share your goods with them. God will repay you not only in the next world but even in this.

Our hearts must be open first to God's kingdom. Whatever riches we possess, remember that we are only stewards of the things of this earth. God entrusts them to our care, but our hearts must remain detached from them in a way that we are not anxious about them. When we take care of our possessions the way God wants us to care for them, we don't lose peace of mind if they are taken from us.

November is a special month when we remember our dead. The families and friends who have lost loved ones during the past 12 months will be invited to come to a special Mass to remember them. The Masses will be on **12th, 19th and 26th November** and each family has received a letter with more details.

Parish Pastoral Bereavement Support

The parish is aware that there may be many who may still be struggling with feelings of pain and grief due to the loss of their loved one either within the last year, or indeed at any time in the past. If you find yourself still struggling with loss and would like avail of some confidential support alongside others experiencing similar feelings then we would like to invite you to the next pastoral bereavement support group meeting **today, Sunday 10th November at 3.00pm** in the Parochial House. The group provides a safe and supportive space to remember, talk freely about your loved one, voice and find possible ways forward with the difficulties you may be still struggling with due to your own loss. The group is relaxed, informal and within a spiritual setting. Please contact 07879951722 for more details. If you prefer you can also ring to arrange a one-to-one confidential support meeting at all other times.

Prayer for Vocations: That those called to serve as priests of the diocese of Derry will have the generosity of the widow in today's gospel.

Recent Deaths: We offer prayers and sympathy to the family and friends of



Betty Breslin , Grangemore Park (formerly Eastway Gardens)
May her soul experience the everlasting love and mercy of God.

Recent Baptisms:: We welcome through the Sacrament of Baptism
Rayah Doyle and Ellie Isobella Reed



Last Week's Collection £1896 Parish Development £522

Standing Orders £122 Thank you for your continued support and generosity

HOLY HOUR VOCATIONS: There will be a Holy Hour for Vocations to the Priesthood in the Diocese of Derry in St. Columb's Church, Chapel Road, Derry, on **Wednesday 13th November 2024 at 8:00pm**. All are welcome to come and pray for this special intention.

2025 Parish Draw: Tickets for the Parish Draw 2025 are now available in the Sacristy after **week-end Masses** and at the Parish Office during office hours at a cost of £120 cash or £10 per month by standing order. Subscribers must be at least 18 years of age. First prize £1000, 2nd prize £500 and 3rd prize £250 each month. This would make an ideal Christmas present and at the same time you will be supporting the on-going maintenance and upkeep of our Church.

Thornhill Ministries: 'Sourcing the Hope Retreat' led by Philip McParland - an oasis day to nourish the soul. **Sat.16th Nov.** 10:00 am - 1:30 pm in An Grianan Hotel, Burt. For details/to register: Please contact Erin on E: thornhillministries@derrydiocese.org or P: 07736832458

Sincere thanks to parishioners for your kindness and generosity at a recent collection for the Vincentian Lay Missionaries (VLM). This raised €1333, which will be used to fund a new farming initiative at the Vincentian school in Tigray, Ethiopia that will feed 2100 children daily. To volunteer or for more information about VLM please contact info@vlm.ie or 00353 87 139 7069.

St Mary's College Christmas Craft Fair (Northland Road, Derry) Saturday 30th November 2024 11.00am – 4.00pm £1 Entry – Over 70 stalls - Café - Santa – Great family day out!

AL-ANON DAY OF GRATITUDE will be held in the City Hotel, Derry, on **Saturday 16 November:** Registration from 10.00am. 11.00am – 12.00noon Opening our hearts and minds; 12.00noon – 1.00pm: Hope; 1.00-2.00pm Lunch; 2.00pm – 3.00pm: Peace/Serenity Prayer; 3.00pm-4.00pm Al-Anon Open meeting with AA participation. 4.30pm -5.30pm Tea; 4.00pm-6.00pm AA meeting with Al-Anon participation; 6.15pm-7.15pm: Let Go, Let God. Adm £7 / €8.